GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

A B S T R A C T

Agriculture & Cooperation Department – Disciplinary Matters - Sri B.Srinivasa Reddy, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Yemmiganur, Kurnool District – Allegations of deviation of norms and guidelines of the schemes ICDP and INSIMP in distribution of inputs during Kharif season, 2011-12 – Disciplinary action initiated under Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Imposed the penalty of "Withholding of (2) Annual Grade Increments with cumulative effect" – Appeal admitted – Reduction of the penalty to "Withholding of (1) Annual Grade Increment without cumulative effect" - Orders - Issued.

AGRICULTURE AND CO-OPERATION (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.563 **Dated: 01/09/2022**

Read the following:

1. Proceedings No.Vig.I(2)122/2012-1, dt.02.04.2021 of the Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur.
2. Appeal petition dt.15.06.2021 of Sri B.Sreenivasa Reddy, MAO, Kallur, received through Endt.No.142, dt.15.06.2021 of the Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture .

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O R D E R:

In the reference 1st read above, the Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur has issued Orders imposing the penalty of "Withholding of (2) Annual Grade Increments with cumulative effect" against Sri B.Srinivasa Reddy, formerly Mandal Agriculture Officer, Yemmiganur, Kurnool District, under A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991, with regard to Non- distribution of inputs under ICDP and INSIMP schemes before completion of Kharif season, during the period 2011-12 and no certainty pertaining to the distribution of Inputs after completion of Kharif season etc.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, Sri B.Srinivasa Reddy, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Yemmiganur, Kurnool District, has submitted an Appeal Petition to the Government, stating that, the instant lapse occurred while verifying the pending registers and it is not willful one or negligence in performing the duties distribution of fertilizers to the eligible farmers after kharif season. He tenders unconditional apology for the lapse and he will guard against such lapses in future and requested the Government to set aside the above penalty imposed against him.

3. The Government have admitted the above Appeal Petition submitted by Sri B. Srinivasa Reddy, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Yemmiganur, Kurnool District and after careful examination of the material papers made available, it is observed that, no financial irregularities occurred in this case regarding distribution of Inputs except some minor procedural deviation noticed in maintenance of Registers for which the extracts of all Registers were submitted to the Inquiry Officer at the time of inquiry and hence it is decided to reduce the penalty of "Withholding of (2) Annual Grade Increments with cumulative effect" to that of "Withholding of One Annual Grade Increment without cumulative effect" against him.

4. Accordingly, the Government, hereby, order for reduction of the penalty of "Withholding of (2) Annual Grade Increments with cumulative effect" in respect of Sri B. Srinivasa Reddy, formerly Mandal Agriculture Officer, Yemmiganur and presently working as Mandal Agriculture Officer, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Alur, Kurnool District, to that of "Withholding of (1) Annual Grade Increment without cumulative effect", under Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

5. The Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur shall take further action, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

POONAM MALAKONDAIAH
CHIEF COMMISSIONER, RBKs &
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To:
The Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur.
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// FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER